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Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal		Application Number	10/679,406-Conf. #5490
Address to: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450		Filing Date	October 7, 2003
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		Art Unit	1791
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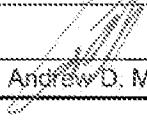
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1.	Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114	Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).	
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.	
i.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____	
ii.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Amendment in Response to Final Office Action and Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.132 filed on April 29, 2008	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed	
i.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Amendment/Reply	iii. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
ii.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)	iv. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
2.	Miscellaneous		
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of <u>3</u> months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other _____	
3.	Fees	The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.	
a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, any underpayment of fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. <u>02-2448</u> . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.	
i.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)	
ii.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)	
iii.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other <u>Processing fee, except in provisional applications</u>	
b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Check in the amount of \$ <u> </u> enclosed	
c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)	

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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Signature		Date	MAY 30 2008
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